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SUBJECT: US-PANAMA TREATY: COLOMBIAN RIGHTS

REF: STATE 024299

1. DURING HIS FIRST FORMAL CALL, NEW COLOMBIAN
AMBASSADOR JAIME PAVA NAVARRO NOTED HIS GOVERNMENT'S
INTEREST IN US-PANAMA CANAL TREATY TALKS AND ITS RIGHTS
UNDER EXISTING TREATY (URRUTIA-THOMPSON). HE ASKED
WHETHER HE MIGHT AT SOME POINT MEET WITH AMBASSADOR BUNKER
TO UNDERLINE THIS INTEREST.

2. ON RETURN CALL YESTERDAY, I REGRETTED THAT IT HAD
BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE MEETING WITH BUNKER SINCE LATTER
HAD BEEN ON CONTADORA WORKING FULL TIME AND HAD RETURNED
TO WASHINGTON WITHOUT STOPOVER IN PANAMA. BUT I ASSURED
AMBASSADOR (DRAWING ON THIRD PARA REFTTEL) THAT US WOULD BE
CONSULTING WITH COLOMBIA ON THIS MATTER. I NOTED IT HAD
BEEN SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION WITH COLOMBIAN OFFICIAL
IN RECENT PAST (I GAVE NO NAMES) AND THAT HE COULD BE
ASSURED MATTER WOULD BE PURSUED EITHER IN WASHINGTON OR
BOGOTA AT APPROPRIATE TIME. HE EXPRESSED GREAT PLEASURE
THAT WE HAD HIS COUNTRY'S INTERESTS IN MIND AND WOULD BE
PURSUING QUESTION WITH HIS GOVERNMENT AT QUOTE RIGHT
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